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TAGS: ETRD, PFOR

SUBJ: COMMERICAL DISCRIMINATION

REF: (A) STATE 304654, (B) BAGHDAD 1282

1. RECOMMEND THAT I BE AUTHORIZED TO TAKE UP THIS MATTER WITH ABDUL KARIM AL-TAI', WHO IS THE CHIEF OF THE IRAQ REGIONAL OFFICE FOR THE BOYCOTT OF ISREAL AND ALSO HOLDS RANK OF DIRECTOR GENERAL IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. I WOULD NOT NORMALLY BE GIVEN AN APPOINTMENT WITH ANYONE ABOVE THE RANK OF DIRECTOR GENERAL.

2. TAI' IS AMERICAN-EDUCATED (UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA), AND A CAREER DIPLOMAT. HE APPEARS FRENLY IN THE DIPLOMATIC COCKTAIL CIRCUIT AND SEEMS TO BE FRIENDLY WITH WESTERN DIPLOMATS. HE ALSO SEEMS TO BE SOPHISTICATED AND OPEN-MINDED. I SUSPECT THAT HE WOULD BE SURPRISED TO FIND OUT THAT THE FORMS IN QUESTION REFER TO JEWS OR JEWISH-CONTROLLED COMPANIES, SINCE GOI HAS RECENTLY MADE PUBLIC EFFORT TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARDS JEWS AND THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARDS ISRAEL AND ZIONISTS.

3. MY PRESENTATION WOULD BE MORE EFFECTIVE IF I COULD SHOW TAI'A COPY OF THE FORM. PLEASE POUCH ONE ASAP. IF NECESSARY, THE NAME OF THE AMERICAN COMPANY INVOLVED COULD BE BLOCKED OFF WHEN THE FORM IS REPRODUCED.

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4. BELIEVE THAT THIS CASE PROVIDES A GOOD EXAMPLE OF OCCASIONS

WHEN MORE FLEXIBILITY ON CONTACTS WITH BOYCOTT OFFICIALS WOULD
BE USEFUL FOR POSTS IN ARAB WORLD.
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